

## House Resolution No. 4777

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State students who have admirably demonstrated tremendous potential as societal leaders through their achievements in such organizations as Future Farmers of America; and

**Whereas**, Adam Ross Owen of Republic has attained considerable distinction as an Animal Science and Business major at Southwest Missouri State University who earlier in life committed himself to the challenges and opportunities available to him through Future Farmers of America; and

**Whereas**, on November 1, 2003, Adam Owen was presented with an American FFA Degree at the 76th National FFA Convention which was held in Louisville, Kentucky; and

**Whereas**, one of only 2,789 members to be recognized with the American FFA Degree in 2003, Adam Owen received a gold American FFA Degree key, certificate, and wallet identity card in light of his completion of American FFA Degree requirements for leadership ability and outstanding achievement in agricultural business, production, processing, or service; and

**Whereas**, the son of Aaron and Jennie Owen and the brother of Matt and Casey, Adam Owen is a National Junior Board Member for the American Junior Simmental Association, the Vice President of the South Central Region of the American Junior Simmental Association, and a Board Member of the Missouri Junior Simmental Association who maintains a herd of forty registered Simmental cows; and

**Whereas**, Future Farmers of America is a national organization of more than 450,000 members who prepare for leadership and careers in the science, business, and technology of agriculture; and

**Whereas**, with more than 7,000 local chapters in all fifty states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, Future Farmers of America makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through the venue of agricultural education:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the attainment of an American FFA Degree by Adam Owen and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued success in the Future Farmers of America organization; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Adam Ross Owen of Republic, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative James Viebrock  
District No. 134

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4777, adopted December 3, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker